

Wildlife Management

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WATER & FOREST CONSERVATION MESSAGE FOR SIKKIM: VISIT OF PADMA VIBHUSHAN SHRI SUNDERLAL BAHUGUNA



SUNDERLAL BAHUGUNA:

During his visit from 12-14 Nov 2009 Padma Vibhushan Sunderlal Bahuguna, noted environmentalist and leader of the Chipko Movement of Uttarakhand, was impressed with Sikkim's initiatives in forest and environmental protection and said that as Sikkim's Green Governance Ambassador he would carry the Sikkim experience of "Green Governance" to share with other states of the country to generate awareness so that Himalayas and its forests could be saved. 'This is not a revolution but it is my responsibility to do so' he said '... people have changed the meaning of forests; they see forests as timber mines, forgetting that the forest holds our culture. If a society abandons its culture, no development can take place.' His slogans: 'Yes to Life, No to Death'; 'Ecology is Permanent Economy'.

He reminisced that once Rabindranath Tagore was lost in a dense forest and found his way back by a small light shining in the distance; similarly though Sikkim is a small state, its light ('Jyoti') shines bright showing the way for others to follow. Like Jesus Christ preached his sermon from top of a hill, Sikkim is also located at the top. If Sikkim does not protect its forests, people in the plains will suffer. Sikkim was taking initiatives which the rest of the world should also be incorporating. Sikkim's commitment to its forests needed to be celebrated by all forest lovers and the state introduced as a pilgrimage destination to learn and appreciate how people live with forests. Reflecting on his old age, he appreciated the role played by Sikkim Government in protecting its environment and combating climate change, and strongly felt that Chief Minister of Sikkim Dr. Pawan Chamling should play a leading role for the cause of environment and biodiversity conservation at national and global level.



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Goral hunted by Frederick Williamson Pol. Officer, Sikkim during reign of Chogyal Tashi Namgyal. Photo courtesy Pema Wangchuk, NOW!

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HUMAN-ANIMAL CONFLICT ISSUES IN SIKKIM: A GLIMPSE



Red Panda rescued from West Sikkim by Gyatso Lachungpa



Masked Palm Civet in Gangtok by Pema wangchuk Dorjee



Himalayan Black Bear at Garbage Dump, East Sikkim



Goral with SKIN disease in fringe forests of KBR



Masked Palm Civet at Hospital Danda



Wild Black Bear juvenile killed in Interspecific encounter by another bear. Courtesy Pema Wangchuk, NOW!



Assamese Macaques at Tashiling Secretariat

INAUGURATION OF SIDKEONG TULKU BIRD PARK. RABDENTSE, WEST SIKKIM IN FEB'09



CELEBRATIONS DURING WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY IN SIKKIM



WILDLIFE PROTECTED AREAS OF SIKKIM: A GLIMPSE



Kyongnosla Alpine Sanctuary



Fambong Lho WLS from Himalayan Zoological Park



Khangchendzonga National Park



Maenam Wildlife Sanctuary



Kitam Bird Sanctuary



GLIMPSES OF SIKKIM AROUND 1909



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GEORGE CAVE



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Butterfly Park Consultation at Rangrang, North Sikkim



Consultative Visit of JICA team to Gangtok in Nov'09



State Biodiversity Board Consultative Workshop on Access & Benefit Sharing-Apr'08



Visit of Hon. Shivraj Patil to Smritivan, Bulbuley, Gangtok

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